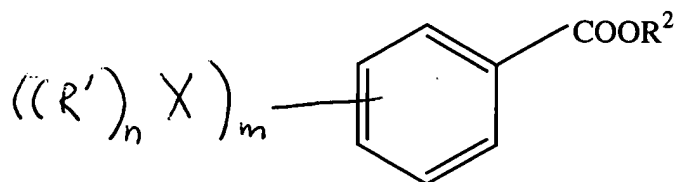


## Exhibit B

### Claims

1 (amended). A method for releasing a ligand from a complex thereof with endogenous proteins, said method comprising contacting a medium suspected of containing said complex with an effective amount of a compound of the formula:



wherein  $R^1$  is alkyl;  $R^2$  is hydrogen or alkyl;  $X$  is O, S or N;  $n$  is 1 when  $X$  is O or S and  $n$  is 2 when  $X$  is N; and  $m$  is 1 or 2.